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**JOB DESCRIPTION**

# Senior Associate Architect – Design Lab

## About Us

The Indian Institute for Human Settlements (IIHS) is a national education institution committed to the equitable, sustainable and efficient transformation of Indian settlements.

IIHS aims to establish an independently funded and managed national university of eminence for research and innovation focused on the challenges and opportunities of India's urban transition. The proposed IIHS University will be an institution of eminence that will host an integrated programme of quality campus-based education and research, training and lifelong learning for working professionals, distance and blended learning, as well as a whole array of practice and advisory services. The university will have a strong interdisciplinary orientation bringing together theory and praxis that is grounded in the South Asian context and also engages with and draws from knowledge across the globe.

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## About the Design Lab

At IIHS, the Design Lab anchors practice and research at the intersection of design, architecture and the development sector. The driving principle of the Design Lab is that development sector initiatives can have significantly enhanced outcomes in terms of aesthetics and sustainability, and that this is primarily a complex function of people, resources and context.

The Design Lab focuses on aspects of spatial planning, urban design and architecture in the context of urban development. The work includes inquiries in spatial design of development sector interventions and recommendations for localization of such interventions through socio-cultural, governance and material inquiry and analysis. The core approach is through questioning and intervening on the concept of 'sustainability in context' associated with development sector interventions.

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## Job Description

IIHS Design Lab is looking to hire an architect with around 5 to 8 years of work experience. This is a full-time position, in the Design Lab at IIHS based out of Bengaluru. The responsibilities for this position will include supporting Design Lab projects, IIHS Campus Development activities and leading the identified components of these projects, that will include but not be restricted to site level planning, architectural design, coordination with various consultants and implementation of retrofit works. The work will involve direct architectural intervention as per regular business practices, as well as research, publications, prototyping and creation of policies, standards and guidelines.

Apart from this responsibility, the position is expected to be involved in the full range of activities at IIHS. The candidate will thus also be expected to be part of IIHS' teaching programmes, its public conferences and conventions, as well as its capacity building programmes through executive education and short courses.

### **Activities and Tasks**

Responsibilities would include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Literature review and research for existing practices, standards and innovations in sustainable building materials and technologies, construction practices, etc.;
- Site visits for primary data collection, including spatial, quantitative and qualitative data;
- Architectural design, interior design, working drawings, renderings, representations and details;
- Coordination with the Campus Development team and external consultants (like Architects, MEP consultants, Landscape design consultants, etc.) for IIHS Kengeri Campus works;
- Site visits during the implementation stage for coordination with external consultants and builders;
- Capacity building and training activities for sustainable building practices;
- Organizing workshops and consultations with key stakeholders;
- Providing support to other IIHS activities including academics, research, operations and other activities;
- Participating in all activities of Institution-building at IIHS; carrying out tasks as assigned by IIHS; and travelling on IIHS work within or outside the country as needed.

### **Structure and Reporting**

The Senior Associate – Design Lab will report to the Lead/Consultant – Design Lab at IIHS and will be required to collaborate effectively with a diverse group of internal teams and external individuals/organizations, and students.

### **Person Specification**

The candidate is required to possess a professional degree in Architecture and/or Master's in Architecture/ Planning. In addition, she/he is expected to possess 5-8 years of relevant experience. Prior experience in working with sustainable building material and technologies and in development sector projects and campus development projects (design and implementation) will be given preference. The person will be required to travel from time to time as per project requirements.

Software & Skills:

- AutoCAD, Revit, SketchUp, Adobe Photoshop, InDesign, 3ds Max;
- MS office;
- Model making.

This offer is on an exclusive basis, which implies that other professional assignments (whether compensated or not) that bear a potential conflict of interest with IIHS cannot be undertaken.

The search will remain open until the position is filled.

### **Location**

This position is based in Bengaluru and may entail travel to other locations in India.

**Review and Assessment**

The role and performance of the incumbent shall be subject to normal review and assessment systems at IIHS.

**Diversity Policy**

IIHS is an equal opportunity employer that encourages women, people with disabilities and those from economically and socially excluded communities with the requisite skills and qualifications to apply for positions.

**To apply**

If you are interested to explore this opportunity with us, please fill the online application form by clicking [here](#). (You can also click on the “Apply Now” button at the end of the Job Description displayed on the website).

**Contact**

Please write to us at [hr@iihs.co.in](mailto:hr@iihs.co.in) if you need any clarifications while filling the online application form.



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